## VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE June 13, 2018

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 9:20 A.M., on June 13, 2018 in Board Room 3, Suite 201,

Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trula Minton, MS, RN, Chairperson

Laura Freeman Cei, BS, LPN, CCRP

STAFF PRESENT: Jodi P. Power, RN, JD, Senior Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Holly Woodcock, Adjudication Specialist

Meredith Rose, BON summer intern

Kelsie Singleton, BON summer intern (joined later)

**CONFERENCES** 

SCHEDULED: Cara Ferris, RN 0001-179160

Ms. Ferris appeared accompanied by her attorney, Nathan Mortier, Esquire, and

her husband, Patrick Ferris.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing

convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:05 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Ferris. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Power, Ms. Woodcock and Ms. Rose attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in

its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:22 A.M.

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Cei moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the case against Cara Ferris and

Impose No Sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Ferris unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Ferris within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

Kelsie Singleton joined the meeting.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Martina Crowder, LPN 0002-093777

Ms. Crowder did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:37 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Crowder. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Power, Ms. Woodcock, Ms. Rose and Ms. Singleton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:02 P.M.

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**ACTION:** 

Ms. Cei moved to offer Martina Crowder a Consent Order for the indefinite suspension of her license in lieu of a Formal Hearing and until such time as she appears before the Board to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of practical nursing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings,

conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Crowder and the Board.

RECESS: The committee recessed at 12:15 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The committee reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

Ms. Singleton left the meeting.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Allison Newcome, RN 0001-241785

Ms. Newcome appeared.

Others present: Sarah Gaffney, PharmD - HCA Henrico Doctors Hospital

Pharmacy Director

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:52 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Newcome. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Power, Ms. Woodcock and Ms. Rose attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:25 P.M.

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**ACTION:** 

Ms. Cei moved to offer Allison Newcome a Consent Order for the indefinite suspension of her license in lieu of a Formal Hearing and until such time as she appears before the Board to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of professional nursing, with said suspension Stayed contingent upon Ms. Newcome remaining in compliance with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program ("HPMP").

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Newcome and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Robert Lambertson, LPN 0002-074907

Mr. Lambertson appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:20 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Lambertson. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Power, Ms. Woodcock and Ms. Rose attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Ms. Rose let the meeting at 5:05 P.M.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 5:30 P.M.

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**ACTION:** 

Ms. Cei moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Robert Lambertson and require Mr. Lambertson to enter into HPMP within 60 days of entry of order and remain in compliance with HPMP thereafter.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Lambertson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Lambertson within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Jennifer Breeden, RN 0001-259471

Ms. Breeden did not appear.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 5:40 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Breeden. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Woodcock attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**RECONVENTION:** 

The Committee reconvened in open session at 6:05 P.M.

Ms. Cei moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Cei moved to offer Jennifer Breeden a Consent Order for the indefinite suspension of her license in lieu of a Formal Hearing and until such time as she appears before the Board to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of professional nursing, with said suspension Stayed contingent upon verification of Ms. Breeden's entry into HPMP and remaining in compliance with HPMP thereafter.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Breeden and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Jodi P. Power, RN, JD

Senior Deputy Executive Director